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In response to query request filed 08/16/2004 in connection with Information Disclosure Statement filed 5/21/2004 please find a signed copy of PTO Form 1449. Said Information Disclosure Statement only reached the examiner through said query request. The examiner also has considered "Novel use of GaAs as a passive Q-switch as well as an output coupler for diode-pumped infrared solid-state lasers" by Jianhui-Gu et al, Proc. SPIE, Volume 3928 (2000), published in "Solid-State Lasers IX", Ed. Richard Scheps, which was included in the addendum to said query request, although it does not appear on the Information Disclosure Statement's Form PTO 1449. Perhaps connected to this is the circumstance that the publication by Jianhui Gu et al in Photonic Systems and Application in Defense and Manufacturing is listed twice on said Form PTO 1449. If so examiner would be willing to sign an amended Form PTO 1449 to correct an obvious error.